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In re Application of:)	
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Application No.: New U.S. Patent Application)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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For: NAIL VARNISH COMPOSITION)	
COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE FILM-)	
FORMING GRADIENT COPOLYMER)	
AND COSMETIC PROCESS FOR)	
MAKING UP AND/OR CARING FOR)	
THE NAILS)	

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached 1449 form.

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Applicants have enclosed a copy of the priority application's French Search Report for the Examiner's consideration.

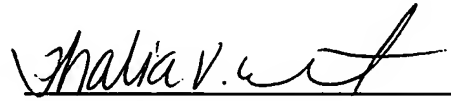
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